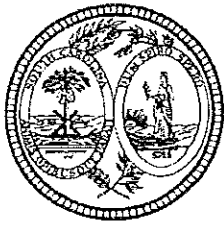


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Attention: Robert T. Lucas III, Esquire

This is to certify that Order No. 2012-287 entered by this Commission in Docket No. 2007-338-E, currently authorizes, as further described in such Order, the issuance and sale of securities such as the First and Refunding Mortgage Bonds of Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC, consisting of \$650,000,000 First and Refunding Mortgage Bonds, 4.00% Series due 2042 and that the Order is still in effect as of the close of business on this date.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Joseph M. Melchers", written in a cursive style.

Joseph M. Melchers
General Counsel

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